DISTRICT REPORTS.

8. Markets how supplied.

9. Progress of agricultural operations, state of standing crops, prospects and probable outturn of harvests, serious damage done to crops by insects or other natural calamities.

10. Prospects of season, tracts in which the rainfall has been insufficient, areas affected by scarcity, number of people under relief, and state of food stocks.

11. Public health.

12. Remarks as to the condition of agricultural stock, failure of pasturage of fodder, etc.

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		Average for the past five years of the corresponding week.	*Current.*	
Prices of food grains—Rice	...	7⅛	5¾ to 6	seers per rupee.
Ragi	...	19½	12 to 13	

Agricultural operations.—Weeding in ragi and paddy fields.

State of standing crops.—Want of rain is much felt.

Cattle are in good condition. Water and fodder sufficient.

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8. Market well supplied.

9. *State of standing crops.*—The condition of wet crops, *viz.*, paddy and sugar-cane, is not very promising in the Channapatna and Hoskote Taluks on account of insufficiency of water in tanks. It is reported that dry crops, *viz.*, ragi, avare and togari, are almost fading in parts of the Kankanhalli Taluk, excepting the Satnur Hobli and in certain villages of the Solur, Kudur and Tippasandra Hoblis of the Magadi Taluk. In other parts of the district the dry crops are said to be in good condition. Rain is, however, very badly wanted throughout the district. It is reported that one or two heavy showers now will improve the present situation to a certain extent.

10. Want of rain is much felt throughout the district. There is sufficient stock of food grains in the local markets, but their prices are reported to be high.

11. Except for plague in parts of the district other than Channapatna and Closepet, public health generally good.

12. It is reported that "Dod Roga" is subsiding in Kankanhalli and Closepet. Drinking water and fodder can be had in sufficient quantities. In parts of the Magadi Taluk green leaves are also being used as fodder owing to cattle having been driven to the taluk from the Kunigal and Tumkur Taluks for grazing purposes.

KOLAR.

8. Market well supplied.

9. *Standing crops* are withering for want of rain, which is badly needed.

Crops sown.—Paddy, horse gram and huchellu in the Bowringpet Taluk only.

Crops harvested.—Same in the Bowringpet Taluk.

Outturn of harvest.—From 6 to 8 annas.

10. Prospects of the season fair; but more rain is needed throughout the district. Food stuffs available, but their prices continue to be very high.

11. Except for plague in a few villages in the Kolar, Malur, Sidlaghatta and Chikballapur Taluks, cholera in parts of the Bowringpet Taluk and small-pox in the Mulbagal Taluk, public health is generally good.

12. Rinderpest is prevailing among cattle in parts of Sidlaghatta, Bagepalli, Goribidnur and Gudibanda. Water and fodder available. Fodder is just sufficient.

TUMKUR.

8. Market well supplied.

9. *Standing crops* are reported to be in fair condition in the Chiknayakanhalli, Sira and Tumkur Taluks. They are withering for want of rain in Tumkur, Maddagiri, Gubbi, Tiptur, Pavagada, Kunigal and Koratagere. In the Maddagiri hobli standing crops are reported to have been damaged by the attack of "Side hula."

Crops sown.—Horse gram in Maddagiri, Chiknayakanhalli, Sira, Gubbi, Tiptur, Pavagada and Turuvekere; and cholam in Maddagiri, Sira, Gubbi, Tiptur and Turuvekere.

Crops harvested.—Sugar-cane in Sira, Gubbi and Turuvekere; cholam in Maddagiri, Chiknayakanhalli, Gubbi and Koratagere; baragu in Maddagiri and til and paddy in Gubbi.

10. Prospects of the season not encouraging. Food stuffs are available in sufficient quantities, but their prices continue to be high. Rain is badly needed throughout the district.

11. Except for cholera at Kyathgancherlu in the Pavagada Taluk, public health generally good.

12. Cattle generally healthy, except in certain villages of Tumkur, Maddagiri Gubbi, Tiptur and Turuvekere, where they are suffering from "Dod Roga and Sappe roga." Water and fodder are getting scarce. Date leaves are being used as fodder in Sira, Tiptur, Kunigal and Turuvekere.

MYSORE.

8. Market well supplied.

9. *Agricultural operations.*—Lands in parts of the Malvalli Taluk are being made ready for sowing Bengal gram.

Standing crops.—Paddy in parts of the Chamrajnagar and Nanjangud Taluks are reported to be withering for want of water. Dry crops in parts of the Krishnarajpete and Nanjangud Taluks are also reported to be withering for want of rain.

Crops sown.—Coriander, horse gram, green gram and Bengal gram in parts of the Gundlupet Taluk.

10. Prospects of the season generally good. But rain is wanted throughout the district. Food stuffs sufficient for the present, but their prices are on the rise.

11. Except for plague in a few places in the district, public health generally good.

12. Cattle generally healthy. But "Dod Roga" in parts of the Chamrajnagar, Heggaddevankote, Gundlupet and Nanjangud Taluks, and "Sappe Roga" in parts of the Yedatore Taluk are still prevailing. Tanks and wells in parts of the Nanjangud Taluk are reported to be running dry. Water and fodder available, except in parts of the Krishnarajpete Taluk, where stock of fodder is reported to be diminishing. Water scarcity is being felt in parts of the Krishnarajpete Taluk.

HASSAN.

8. Market well supplied.

9. *Standing crops.*—Ragi, paddy, horse gram, avare, togari and chillies in the Hassan, Arkalgud and the Hole-Narsipur Taluks; paddy and ragi in the Manjarabad Taluk; horse gram, avare, sugar-cane and castor in the Belur Taluk; ragi, avare, castor and chillies in the Channarayapatna Taluk; and avare, horse gram and gingelly in the Alur Sub-Taluk, these are reported to be in somewhat good condition. Early showers are required for the withering crops throughout the district.

Crops sown.—Horse gram, gingelly and cholam are being sown in the Channarayapatna Taluk.

Crops harvested.—Cardamom in the Manjarabad Taluk; and coriander and gingelly are being harvested in the Arsikere Taluk.

10. Prospects of the season are not serious just at present but are causing considerable anxiety for want of rain. Food grains available, but their prices have risen high.

11. Except for plague and cholera in parts of Hassan and plague in parts of the Belur Taluk, public health generally good.

12. Cattle generally healthy. But "Dod Roga" continues to exist still in parts of the Hassan, Belur and Hole-Narsipur Taluks. Water and fodder available, except in parts of the Arsikere and Channaroyapatna Taluks, where cattle are being driven to Kadur and Belur sides for grazing in Kavals.

SHIMOGA.

8. Market well supplied.

9. *Standing crops, viz.*, paddy, ragi, jola, avare, togari, gingelly, black gram, green gram, horse gram and sugar-cane are suffering for want of rain. In a few villages near Holehonnur, Shimoga Taluk, paddy crop has dried up and cattle have been allowed to graze thereon. It is reported that the paddy crop in portions of the Channagiri Taluk also has shared the same fate.

Crops sown.—Cotton, navane and horse gram are being sown in portions of the Honnali Taluk.

Crops harvested.—Gingelly is being harvested in the Honnali Taluk and arecanut in the Sorab and Sagar Taluks.

10. *Prospects of the season.*—Want of rain is keenly felt throughout the district. Standing crops consequently are fading. Food grains are available for the present, but their prices are rising.

11. Public health generally good. Plague continues still in the towns of Shimoga and Channagiri and also in a few villages of the Shikarpur Taluk and the Kumsi Sub-Taluk.

12. Murrain prevails in all the taluks, except Nagar and Tirthahalli. Water and fodder are available.

KADUR.

8. Market well supplied.

9. *Agricultural operations.*—Weeding in Yedahalli.

Standing crops:—

In Chikmagalur—Paddy, gingelly, coriander, togari, dod ragi and coffee, which were withering, are now reported to have been benefitted to a certain extent by rainfall on the 4th and 5th instants.

In Kadur—Ragi, horse gram, sugar-cane, avare, togari, chillies, paddy, castor and jola are withering.

In Tarikere—Paddy, ragi, avare, etc., are reviving owing to the rainfall during the week. More rain is still wanted.

In Koppa—Sugar-cane, areca, cardamom, pepper, coffee and paddy are in pretty good condition. So is the case with cardamom, paddy, ragi and coffee in Mudgere; sugar-cane, areca and coffee in Yedahalli, and paddy in Sringeri. Rain is wanted for all the crops throughout the district.

Report has been received that some damage is being done to the standing crops by insects, owing to want of rain, in some parts of the Chikmagalur Taluk.

Crops harvested and their yield:—

Chikmagalur—Coriander yield 4½ annas and ragi on a small scale.
Kadur—Sugar-cane yield 8 annas.
Mudgere—Cardamom yield 8 annas.

10. Prospects of the season fair, but crops all over the district are reported to be withering for want of rain. Food stuffs are available though their prices continue to be high.

11. Except for plague in the Chikmagalur, Kadur and Tarikere Taluks, public health generally good.

12. Cattle generally healthy, except in the Mudgere Taluk, where "Dod Roga" is prevailing. Water and fodder are available though they are getting scarce especially in the maidan parts. In some villages of the Bidre and Yagati hoblis of the Kadur Taluk, it is reported that cattle are being fed on date leaves.

CHITALDRUG.

8. Market well supplied.

9. *Standing crops.*—Such as jola, horse gram, togari, avare, green gram, black gram, sugar-cane, paddy, castor, navane, sajje, save, cotton, gingelly, etc., are reported to be in fair condition except in certain parts of the district, where they are said to be withering for want of rain. More rain is still needed for the standing crops.

Crops sown.—Bile jola in the Chitaldrug, Challakere, Hiriyur, Davangere and Jagalur Taluks; horse gram in the Challakere, Hiriyur, Holalkere, Molakalmuru and Davangere Taluks; cotton in the Chitaldrug, Hiriyur and Holalkere Taluks and the Harihar Sub-Taluk; Bengal gram in the Challakere and Jagalur Taluks; wild gingelly in Holalkere Taluk and the Harihar Sub-Taluk.

Crops harvested and their yield.—Chitaldrug Taluks—Sesamum, sugar-cane, jola, green gram and black gram yield from 4 to 8 annas.

10. Prospects of the season fair. Food stuffs available.

11. Public health generally good.

12. Cattle healthy, except in parts of the Holalkere Taluk, where "Rinderpest" prevails. Water and fodder available except in parts of the Hosdurga Taluk, where they are getting scarce.

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